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## Sen. Garcia calls for community to help Howell National Guard unit prepare for deployment

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**Lansing** – As the National Guard unit in Howell prepares to deploy, the community is being asked to help, announced Sen. Valde Garcia (R-Howell).

"I urge residents to show their support for these brave men and women, either by donating items or by coming to Fowlerville January 3 to send them off," Garcia said.

The Michigan Army National Guard's 1462<sup>nd</sup> Transportation Company is deploying Jan. 3. Residents can help the troops by donating items such as microwaves, coffee makers, first aid kits, sunscreen, bug spray, Windex, and powdered Gatorade. A complete list of items needed by the unit is attached.

Residents also are encouraged to gather in Fowlerville to send the troops off on Jan. 3. They will depart from the Fowlerville Fairgrounds, 8800 W. Grand River Ave. in Fowlerville, at 7 a.m. While only officials will be allowed on the grounds, residents are invited to line Grand River Avenue in front of the fairgrounds to wish the troops well as they leave town.

For more information on the requested items or to make a donation, contact the Howell Armory at 517-546-0670.

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Editors note: The complete list of items requested by the 1462<sup>nd</sup> Transportation Company is included below.

## Items requested by Howell Transportation Company

## Angie Thorpe, Family support Contact Armory: 517-546-0670 Home: 517-545-5550

- 1. CB radios
- 2. Spare CB parts
- 3. Brown, Tan, Black thread
- 4. Sewing Machine
- 5. Microwaves
- 6. Coffee Makers
- 7. First Aid kits
- 8. Sunscreen
- 9. Bug spray
- 10. Windex
- 11.Gatoraide (powder)
- 12.playing cards
- 13.stationary
- 14.trash bags
- 15. Shooting Gloves
- 16. Power tools
  - a. Chainsaw
  - b. Drills
  - c. Circular saws
  - d. Arc welder
- 17. Safety goggles
- 18. Bathing suits
- 19.Sandbags
- 20. Washing machine and power converter
- 21.Impact wrenches
- 22.Impact air tools
- 23.Flee collars
- 24.Fly strips
- 25. Mouse traps
- 26.Lg. plastic tubs that can be locked
- 27.Padlocks
- 28. Clipboards

- 29. Sweatpants
- 30.Socks
- 31. Vitamins
- 32. Cold Medicine
- 33.Leather gloves
- 34. Toilet paper
- 35.Coffee
- 36.Tea
- 37.Hot Cocoa
- 38. Windows XP program for laptops
- 39. Collapsible fabric shoe holders
- 40. Extension cords
- 41. Power strips